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MEMORANDUM FOR: DCI

SUBJECT : NSC Briefing on World Situation (NIE 100-59)

As the kickoff for the annual review of Basic Policy the NSC will discuss this Thursday our Estimate of the World Situation and annual Soviet NIE (11-4-58), as it did last year. Gordon Gray suggests that you start out with a fifteen minute summation of the two papers. He will then raise certain points made at the Planning Board.

Attached is a briefing paper on NIE 100-59 with appropriate parts of NIE 11-4-58 and 13-2-59 woven in. It is about the same length as last year, plus a few points woven in to anticipate the questions which may be raised at NSC.

Also attached is a brief summary of the key points made at the Planning Board, with suggestions as to appropriate responses.



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